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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56(b), the references listed on the attached forms PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B are being brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. A copy of each foreign patent and non-patent document listed is attached herewith.

The untranslated foreign references are being submitted along with a translated foreign patent authority report which lists the relevance of the foreign references. Thus, the foreign references should be considered in the case pursuant to MPEP §609.04(a), subsection II.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner indicate consideration of the listed references by returning an initialed copy of the attached forms PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B.

Respectfully submitted,

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